

Hello, I am a subscriber to XM's satellite radio service. I subscribed after moving from Salt Lake City to Atlanta and finding that the music I like is not available on terrestrial radio here. I have been anxiously awaiting the traffic and weather station for Atlanta so I can hear detailed traffic reports covering the substantial traffic problems this city has during the nearly 6 hours of rush hour we have. Terrestrial stations provide very short inadequate reports that only discuss a few problems and slow spots. The reports are always incomplete and are rushed so they can get back to commercials that make me switch the station. Terrestrial radio has no motivation to improve their traffic reports because they currently have a monopoly on traffic reports here. Allowing satellite radio to broadcast local traffic brings in competition forcing them to improve their services to compete. In this aspect the consumer wins because whether they choose to pay for satellite radio or listen to free terrestrial stations, there will be quality reports because of a competitive marketplace. I ask you to please reject NAB's petition 04-160. This is a resolution that is purely anti-competitive and only hurts consumers by not giving them a choice. Thanks you for your time.
Sincerely,
David